

SECTION 1100

INVITATION TO BID

**BID NO. BO4-93E
BCN OFF-SITE INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS**

SEALED BIDS will be received by the City of Cathedral City at the Office of the City Clerk located at 68-700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero, Cathedral City, California, 92234, until 2 P.M., on December 2, 2004 at which time they will be publicly opened and read for performing work as follows:

The Project is partially funded with U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) Funds and is subject to the Special Federal Provisions presented in Section 3010.

Scope of work: The proposed improvements are generally located on Van Fleet, D Street, A Street, B Street, C Street, East Palm Canyon Drive, and Grove Street. In general the work to be done consists of furnishing all labor, materials, necessary tools, equipment, supervision, and all utility and transportation services required for construction and installation of asphalt pavement roadway for reconstruction and widening, new sanitary sewer mains and services, new water mains, fire hydrants and services, curbs and gutters, sidewalks, signing and striping, unclassified excavation, and other miscellaneous work.

This project is to be completed within **185 working days** from the date specified in the Notice to Proceed. Time for commencement and completion of the work is important, and is to be of the essence of the Contract. The successful bidder should plan to order any long lead time equipment items immediately following "Notice of Award".

A pre-bid conference will be held at **10 a.m. on November 16, 2004**, in the **City of Cathedral City, City Hall Study Session Room**. Although not mandatory, it is highly recommended that all potential bidders attend this pre-bid conference. This meeting is to inform minority and female trades of subcontracting and material supply opportunities. Bidder's attendance at this meeting will be considered in determining the bidder's good faith effort in complying with the Notice of Requirements for Affirmative Action.

Complete sets of the bidding documents may be obtained **at no cost** from the City Engineering Office, 68-700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero, Cathedral City, California 92234. No refund will be made for sets of bidding documents that are returned. Plans and specifications will be mailed for **an additional \$25.00** per set when paid in advance in the form of a check payable to the City of Cathedral City.

Bidding procedures are prescribed in the Project Specifications. Bids shall be executed upon the forms bound and made a part of said Specifications. Bid security in an amount not less than **ten percent (10%)** of the total bid dollar amount and conforming to the prescribed bidding procedures is required to be submitted with each bid, as a guaranty to be forfeited should the bidder, if awarded the contract, fail to enter into the same, or fails to furnish in a timely manner the bonds and/or proof of insurance. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to waive any irregularities in the bids.

Pursuant to the provisions of California Labor Code Section 6707, each bid submitted in response to this Invitation to Bid shall contain, as a bid item, adequate sheeting, shoring, and bracing, or equivalent method, for the protection of life and limb in trenches and open excavation, which shall conform to applicable safety orders. By listing this sum, the bidder warrants that its action does not convey tort liability to the City, its consultants, and their employees, agents, and sub-consultants.

Pursuant to Section 1770, et. seq., of the California Labor Code, the successful bidder shall pay not less than the prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial

Relations. Copies of such prevailing rate of per diem wages are on file at the office of the City Clerk and are included within these project specifications. The included prevailing wage General Decision CA 20030036 Modification Number 5, dated 7-16-04 is presented in section 3010. However, bidders are notified that the most recent prevailing wage General Decision in effect for Riverside County within 10 days of bid opening will be in force for all project activities.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22300, for monies earned by the Contractor and withheld by the City to ensure the performance of the Contract, the Contractor may, at its option, choose to substitute securities meeting the requirements of said Public Contract Code Section 22300.

Affirmative action to ensure against discrimination in employment practices on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, or religion will also be required. The City hereby affirmatively ensures that minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this notice and will not be discriminated against on the basis of an individual's sex, marital status, race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, physical handicap, sexual orientation or domestic partnership status in any consideration leading to the award of contract.

All bidders shall be licensed under the provisions of Chapter 9, Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California to do the type of work contemplated in the project. In accordance with provisions of California Public Contract Code Section 3300, the City has determined that the Contractor shall possess a valid **Class A (General) or a C-12 Earthwork and Paving Specialty License** and/or other specialty licenses applicable to this project at the time that the bid is submitted. Failure to possess the specified license(s) shall render the bid as non-responsive. **The Prime Contractor shall perform not less than 30% of the Contract Work.**

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Labor and Materials bond in the amount equal to **one hundred percent (100%)** of the Contract price, as well as a Faithful Performance Bond, in the amount equal to **one hundred percent (100%)** of the Contract price.

Each bidder shall submit with its bid a statement setting forth its experience on the forms included in the Bid Proposal.

Telephones will not be available to bidders. Bid forms received after the designated time will not be accepted. Bidders and their authorized agents are invited to attend.

No bidder may withdraw its bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening of bids.

Approved By: _____

William O. Bayne, P.E.
Interim City Engineer

Date: _____

Published By: _____

Donna Velotta, City Clerk

Date: _____